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Messina, July 4.

THE *Repose* Frigate passed by here this Evening in 14 days from Leghorn, being bound to the *Lavante* with several Merchant Men under her Convoy.

Leghorn, August 6. The last Advices from *Ayers* say, 'tis generally thought that People will break with the French, the Envoys that lately arrived there from *France*, having been unsuccessful in every particular of their Negotiation, and received several Affronts from the Government: The Algerians are making a new Fortification or Arch'd Work to secure their great Guns on the round Castle at the end of the Mole, against Bombs of 800 weight. Yesterday arrived here 7 Spanish Gallies, which with the 6 that were before in this Port, design to go out this Night to Cruize on these Coasts. They write from *Florence*, that the Great Duke has Named the Marquis *d'Vichy* to go and Complement the Elector of *Bavaria* at his arrival at *Milan*, where his Electoral Highness is daily expected in his way to *Piedmont*.

Milan, August 8. The Elector of *Bavaria's* Equipage passed by this place two days ago in their march towards *Piedmont*, and Preparations are making for the Reception of his Electoral Highness, who is expected here very suddenly. Twelve Thousand of the German Succors are already arrived in *Piedmont*; and all the rest will be there in 5 or 6 days. We are told, that the overflowing of the *Po* has done much harm to the French Army which lay encamped near that River.

Madrid, August 9. We have an account from *Alicante*, That the French Squadron under the Command of the Count *d'Esprey*, consisting of 8 Men of War, 6 Frigates, 25 Gallies, 2 Fireships, and 3 Gallies with Mortars, came on the 22d of the last Month to an Anchor before that place, and began the same day to fire their Bombs into the Town; They attempted likewise to Land in two several places, and to set Fire to some Vessels that lay near the Shore, but were beaten off with the loss of above 200 Men. They continued to Bombard the Town on the 28th, shooting above 4000 Bombs, which ruined divers Churches and Religious Houses, and did a great deal of other mischief, and so enraged the Inhabitants, that they fell upon the French that lived among them, in a considerable number. Plundered their Houses, and killed about 100 of them. On the 29th the French were going to make a second attempt to Land, but upon the appearance of the Conde *d'Aguilar* with 18 Spanish Men of War and 5 Fireships, they immediately cut their Cables, and retired in great haste to the Eastward, and our Armada pursued them. We hear since, that the Governor of *Alicante* has caused diligent search to be made for the Effects of the French that were plundered by the People, as well as what they may have yet left, designing to dispose of the same towards carrying the Charge of repairing the Damage the Inhabitants have suffered. We hear from *Catalonia*, That the Duke *d'Noailles*, after having put a good Garrison into *Tortosa*, had polled himself near *Valencia*,

and that the Duke of *Medina Sedonia* lay encamped with the Spanish Army at *Ubeda*.

The Reform that was lately Published here will be strictly Executed; and 'tis assured, that by it, the King will save above 5 Millions of Crowns yearly. The King has been Pleased to bestow a Mark of his Royal Favour upon Don *Aubert B. de*, who has been several years with his Excellency Don *Padon de Riquelme*, Ambassador Extraordinary at the Court of *England*, and performed divers acceptable Services to his Majesty during the said Embassy, by making him a Knight of the Order of *St. Lazarus*, and giving him the Habit of the same.

Vienna, August 16. We have no fresher Letters from the Imperial Camp in *Hungary* than those mentioned in our last, which gave an account, That the Army was encamped on the 4th instant within 2 Leagues of *Salankment*, whether they intended to continue their march the next day; but there is a Report, That the Grand Visier is retired to *Belgrade*, and that he has ordered *Tekely* and all the principal Commanders to meet him there, in order to consult with them about the Affairs of the Campaign. From *Transylvania* are Letters of the 4th, dated at General *Leteran's* Camp near *Palomir*, which say, That the whole Province is very quiet, and that they had advice by their Spies, that there are no Tartars in *Galacia*, nor any appearance of an Invasion on that side; and that the Cham, with his Troops, was gone towards the *Danube* to joyn the Grand Visier; That *Tekely's* Troops had made a Bridge over the *Moras* near *Lippa* to facilitate their passage to *Great Waradin*, and that our Forces in *Upper Hungary* were making another over the *Theisse*; They say likewise, that the surprizing the late Convoys designed for *Great Waradin* and *Temeswar* by the Rascians, has reduced those Garrisons to great Straits. An Envoy is expected here in 8 or 10 days from *Poland*, who is to assist, together with the Secretary *Caspello* on the part of the Republick of *Venice*, at the Treaty of Peace with the Turks. The Elector of *Bavaria* arrived the 14th instant at *Lintz* in her Journey hither, where she intends to stay during his Electoral Highness's Expedition in *Piedmont*.

From the Elector of Saxony's Camp near Breithem, Aug. 19. On the 17th instant we had advice, that the French Army had quitted their Camp towards *Dartach* and *Prortzheim*, and were retiring towards *Fort Louis*. Several Parties have been sent out to observe them; and this Morning marched a strong Detachment of Horse and Foot to cover the Country towards *Katzinger Dult*, and the *Black Forest*, against the Enemies Incursions. 'Tis believed the whole Army will march to morrow.

Berlin, August 21. Here is great Joy for the happy Success of their Majesty's Arms in *Italy*. His Electoral Highness of *Branibourg* was pleased to order, that the Victory of *Castellazzo* should be Celebrated with a Solemn Festival. *Te Deum* was Sung in the Church, where the Elector was, with Trumpets and Military Drums; The Cannon were discharged round the Walls, and the Elector gave a Dinner of State. His name was at *Paris* by the Prince